

# Religious Engagement and American Foreign Policy



Project Title	Religious Engagement and American Foreign Policy
Project Summary	Providing descriptive analyses of religious activity in foreign countries to help Department officials make foreign policy decisions.
Country	United States

## Project Description

The Office of Religion and Global Affairs provides analysis of religion’s role in foreign affairs and strives to educate American foreign policy actors on the importance of engaging international religious actors and communities in making foreign policy. VSFS interns will work directly with policy advisers to research and write cogent analyses of the religious environment in a specific country(s). Analyses may take on a broader scope to look at cross-national issues as well as narrow in on issues in the corner of an individual country. The goal is to develop up-to-date resources for use by regional policy advisers as well as Department staff working in those regions.

## Required Skills or Interests

### Skill(s)

Analytical writing

Research

## Additional Information

Interns may be working with several policy advisers to address their needs in preparing assessments of the religious landscapes of countries of need, even looking at very narrow issues involving religious communities (i.e. elections and the Catholic Church in Nicaragua). Other assignments in this broad topic may arise as the group is involved in a variety of projects (training preparation, developing news feeds, and more). As such, activities may vary.

# Language Requirements

*None*